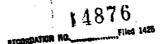
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# INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION January 8, 1986



Terminal Tower P. O. Box 6419 Cleveland, Ohio 44101 216-623-2200

#### HAND DELIVERED

Mr. James H. Bayne, Secretary Interstate Commerce Commission 12th Street & Constitution Ave., NW Washington, DC 20423

Attention:

Recordation unit

Dear Mr. Bayne:

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No

Date JAN 8 1986

Fee \$ 10.00

ICC Washington, D.C.

Enclosed are four executed counterparts of an Agreement dated as of December 20, 1985, between Thrall Car Manufacturing Company and The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company. This Agreement is a primary document and constitutes an interimuser agreement, allowing use of the equipment described below pending establishment of permanent financing. The names and addresses of the parties are as follows:

Bailor:

Thrall Car Manufacturing Company

26 State Street

Chicago Heights, IL 60411

Bailee:

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company

3200 Terminal Tower Cleveland, OH 44101

The equipment covered by the above documents consists of ninety-seven (97) fully-enclosed bi-level auto racks, to bear Rack Nos. B3243-B3339, inclusive. The equipment will be marked "The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company" or "C&O" or "Chessie System" or in some other appropriate manner and also will marked "OWNERSHIP SUBJECT TO A SECURITY AGREEMENT FILED WITH THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION."

Also enclosed is a draft in the amount of \$10.00 representing the required recording fee.





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Mr. James H. Bayne January 8, 1986

Pursuant to the Commission's rules and regulations for the recordation of certain documents under 49 USC §11303, as currently administered, you are hereby requested duly to file one (1) of the enclosed counterparts for record in your office and to return the remaining three (3) copies to me.

Sincerely,

Louis Recher

Assistant General Solicitor

LR/mrt

### Interstate Commerce Commission Mashington, D.C. 20423

1/13/85

#### OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Louis Recher
Chessie System Railroads
Terminal Tower
P.O.Box 6419
Cleveland, Ohio 44101

Dear Sir:

The enclosed document(s) was recorded pursuant to the provisions of Section 11303 of the Interstate Commerce Act, 49 U.S.C. 11303, on 1/8/86 at 11:45am , and assigned rerecordation number(s). 14876

Sincerely yours,

Agatha L. Mergenovich

Secretary

Enclosure(s)

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INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

INTERIM USER AGREEMENT

Dated as of December 20, 1985

between

THRALL CAR
MANUFACTURING COMPANY

and .

THE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILWAY COMPANY

Covering

97 Fully-Enclosed Bi-Level Auto Racks

THIS AGREEMENT, dated as of December 20, 1985, between THRALL CAR MANUFACTURING COMPANY, a Delaware corporation (Manufacturer), and THE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILWAY COMPANY, a Virginia corporation (C&O):

#### WITNESSETH:

Pursuant to a Letter Order received from C&O dated November 4, 1985, which Letter Order is made a part hereof by reference, the Manufacturer has agreed (among other things) to construct, at its Cartersville, Georgia plant, and to deliver to C&O at Cartersville, Georgia, and C&O has agreed to accept and pay for, ninety-seven (97) fully-enclosed bi-level autoracks (Auto Racks), to bear rack numbers B3243-B3339, inclusive.

C&O intends to finance the purchase of the Auto Racks from the Manufacturer pursuant to some one or more permanent forms of financing, but deliveries of the Auto Racks are scheduled to begin on or about January 6, 1986, and C&O will not have completed said financing arrangement(s) by that time. C&O represents that such financing arrangement(s) will be established, however, on or before April 30, 1986. C&O, in order that it may use (or may permit its subsidiary, The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company (B&O), to use) the Auto Racks pending establishment of such financing arrangement(s), desires to have temporary custody and possession of the Auto Racks upon their completion, solely as a bailee of the Auto Racks, and the Manufacturer is willing to grant such temporary

custody and possession to C&O upon the terms and conditions hereinafter stated.

In consideration of the premises, the Manufacturer hereby delivers to C&O and C&O hereby accepts from the Manufacturer the Auto Racks as of the date each of them is delivered to C&O at Cartersville, Georgia, for the period ending on the earlier of April 30, 1986, or the date of establishment of said financing arrangement(s). On such termination date, this Agreement shall automatically be cancelled and superseded without further action by or notice to any party concerned.

Upon delivery of each Auto Rack, C&O's representative shall execute a certificate of acceptance acknowledging the receipt of delivery of each such Auto Rack under this Agreement. Title to the Auto Racks shall remain in the Manufacturer and C&O's rights and interests therein are and shall be solely that of possession, custody and use as bailee under this Agreement. Transfer of title shall be effected only at the time of delivery of bills of sale. C&O shall, without expense to the Manufacturer, promptly cause a Financing Statement to be filed in Ohio pursuant to the requirements of the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in said State. In addition, C&O shall do such other acts as may be required by law, or reasonably requested by the Manufacturer, for the protection of the Manufacturer's title to and interest in the Auto Racks.

C&O agrees to permit no liens of any kind to attach to the Auto Racks; and that it shall:

- (a) indemnify and save harmless the Manufacturer from any and all claims, expenses or liabilities of whatsoever kind; and
- (b) pay any and all taxes, fines, charges and penalties that may accrue or be assessed or imposed upon the Auto Racks or the Manufacturer,

because of the Manufacturer's ownership or because of the use, operation, management or handling of the Auto Racks by C&O (or B&O) during the term of this Agreement. C&O's obligations contained in this paragraph shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

C&O shall, at its own expense, keep and maintain the Auto Racks in good order and running condition and shall, at its option, repair or replace or promptly pay to the Manufacturer the purchase price in cash of those Auto Racks which may be damaged or destroyed by any cause during the term of this Agreement.

Prior to the delivery of each Auto Rack to C&O under this Agreement, each such Auto Rack shall be numbered with a rack number as hereinbefore indicated. C&O hereby agrees to indemnify the Manufacturer against any liability, loss or expense incurred by it as a result of the placing of the aforementioned markings on the Auto Racks. In case, during the continuance of this Agreement, such markings shall at any time be removed, defaced or destroyed on any Auto Rack, C&O shall immediately cause the same to be restored or replaced.

All or any of the rights, benefits or advantages of the Manufacturer, including the right to receive the purchase price of the Auto Racks, may be assigned by the Manufacturer and reassigned by any assignee at any time or from time to time, provided however, that no such assignment shall subject any such assignee to any of the Manufacturer's warranties, indemnities or any other obligations contained in this Agreement or implied by the Letter Order. In the event the Manufacturer shall assign its rights to receive the payments for the Auto Racks, and C&O shall receive written notice thereof from the Manufacturer, together with a counterpart of such assignment stating the identity and the post office address of the assignee, all payments thereafter to be made by C&O for the Auto Racks or in connection therewith shall, to the extent so assigned, be made to the assignee against proper receipt therefor in form satisfactory to C&O.

In the event of any such assignment by the Manufacturer of its rights to receive any such payments, the rights of such assignee to such payments as may be assigned shall not be subject to any defense, set-off, counterclaim or recoupment whatsoever arising out of any breach of any obligation of the Manufacturer in respect to the Auto Racks, nor subject to any defense, set-off, counterclaim or recoupment whatsoever arising by reason of any other indebtedness or liability at any time owing to C&O by the Manufacturer. Any and all such obligations, howsoever arising, shall be and remain enforceable by

C&O, its successors and assigns, only against the Manufacturer and its successors and assigns (other than assignees of such rights, benefits or advantages assigned pursuant to this Agreement).

C&O agrees with the Manufacturer that the execution by the Manufacturer of this Agreement or the delivery by the Manufacturer to C&O of the Auto Racks, as contemplated by this Agreement, shall not relieve C&O of its obligations to accept, take and pay for the Auto Racks in accordance with the terms of the Letter Order.

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Ohio.

Attest: (CORPORATE SEAL)

THE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILWAY COMPANY

By: Lynne B Klopel
Assistant Secretary

tary By: Ruland B. allen

App'd. as to Form

A. G. S.

Attest: (CORPORATE SEAL)

THRALL CAR
MANUFACTURING COMPANY

By: 3 Lockbul Assistant Secretary

By

Vice President

STATE OF OHIO )
SS:
COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA )

On this 30th day of December, 1985, before me personally appeared RICHARD B. ALLEN, to me personally known who, being by me duly sworn, says that he is Vice President of THE CHESA-PEAKE AND OHIO RAILWAY COMPANY, that one of the seals affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said Corporation, that said instrument was signed and sealed on behalf of said Corporation by authority of its Board of Directors and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said Corporation.

(NOTARÍAL SEAL)

LOUIS RECHER, Attorney
Notary Public - State of Ohio
My Commission has no expiration date.
Section 147.03 R.C.

STATE OF ILLINOIS )

SS:
COUNTY OF COOK )

On this day of d

Motary Public/

(NOTARIAL SEAL)

My Commission Expires: